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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Once upon a time, in the far away and the long ago, there lived an exceedingly wise man. Uncouth he was in shape, and ugly of head and face; but the Gods had given him that which is above price—understanding. And as the years of his life went by, he wove the things which he saw into stories, and because we are all children, his stories are now classed by dealers as "children's tales," at which wise old Aesop must smile to himself. Do you remember the fable of the man who came, tired and footsore and cold and hungry, on one winter's night, to the cave of the strange Beast and prayed for shelter? And the Beast took him in, and put sticks on the fire to warm the man; and the man sat by the fire and chafed his hands and blew upon them. Said the Beast, "Why do you blow upon your hands?" and the man said, "To warm them." And the Beast wondered greatly thereat, but presently went about his work and prepared soup, steaming hot and good to smell, and gave the man to eat. And the man took the soup and, seeing that it was hot, blew upon it, whereat the Beast, knowing the soup to be hot from the fire, was greatly astonished. Quoth he: "Wherefore do you blow upon the soup?" And the man said, "To cool it." Then the Beast became enraged, for Beasts never lie, and he thought the man was lying to him and making sport of him; so he turned upon the man and cast him out into the cold and the night, saying: "One who can blow hot and blow cold with the same breath needs not shelter and fire, and is too clever to associate with simple

beasts." The wisdom of old Aesop, preserved to us in the fable, comes to mind upon reading some statements in *Collier's Weekly* of August 4th:

The postal authorities in New York recently issued a fraud order against a "Prof. Adkin" who practiced 'Vitaopathy' and offered to 'talk dead men back to life.' One of the advertisements said: "In Prof. Adkin's laboratory his chemists are daily engaged in extracting the life-and-health-giving principle from rare vegetables, fruits and plants." Mr. Samuel Hopkins Adams called upon the "Professor" and desired to see the laboratory. He says: "When called upon to give details, Professor Adkin could produce neither laboratory, chemists, vegetables, fruits, nor plants. Under pressure he bashfully explained that his treatment consisted of tablets put up to his order by Parke, Davis & Co., of Detroit. This testimony should be interesting to physicians, since Parke, Davis & Co. are the largest manufacturers of 'ethical' preparations advertised to the medical profession in the country, and are earnest claimants of high professional standing. How their ethics comport with this acting as supply to a proven and self-convicted quack, I leave for them to explain."

In the same article in *Collier's* Mr. Adams touches upon one form of radio-quackery. There has been lots of this sort of radio-quackery enterprise, and some of it has been directed entirely toward the members of our profession. One of the concerns intended to fool the layman and not the physician is the Dr. Warner Remedy Co. This Mr. Adams investigated and found it in charge of "one Bird Collins, a graduate from the fraudulent nostrum school as exemplified by Wine of Cardui." The conversation is so interesting, particularly to physicians to whom "ethical" houses appeal for patronage, that we take the liberty of reprinting it as republished in *Collier's*.

"Are Radium Rings radium?"

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"Is there any radium in them?"

"No."

"Then why do you call them Radium Rings?"

"It's a trade name."

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"Is there any radium in it?"

"No."

"Then why do you call it Radiozone?"

"It's a trade name."

"Is Dr. Warner here?"

"No."

"Is there any Dr. Warner in your company?"

"No."

"Then why do you call it the Dr. Warner Remedy Co.?"

"It's a trade name."

"Is your name Collins?"

"N—yes."

"Is it a trade name?"

"No."

LOS ANGELES MEDICAL LIBRARY.

Through the generosity of Dr. W. Jarvis Barlow of Los Angeles, the medical profession of Southern California has recently become the recipient of a twenty-five thousand dollar library building, which is now in the course of erection in Los Angeles.

The committee in charge of the library desire to obtain information as to the best mode of raising funds for the maintenance of the library, as well as of methods of cataloguing, management, and so on, and they request copies of reports and of specimens of card index cataloging forms, or any suggestions that would be of aid in the inauguration of this medical library work in Los Angeles. Any help or information would be greatly appreciated. Address, G. H. K., M. D., 506 Bryson Building, Los Angeles, Cal.

DR. J. H. LOVE.

Dr. J. H. Love of Ventura died of cerebral apoplexy on Monday, July 23d, 1906, aged 58 years. Dr. Love was born in Ohio, and had practiced in that State from 1870 to 1890, in which latter year he came to Ventura, California, where he had been in continuous practice up to the time of his death. He was a former president of the Ventura County Medical Society, and a member in good standing at the time of his death. His colleagues in the Ventura County Medical Society held him in high esteem, and his genial presence will be missed hereafter. He was county physician for several terms and physician to the county hospital.

Dr. Love had always taken a strong interest in civic affairs, and at his funeral the public buildings were draped with flags at half-mast in his honor. The officers and members of the Ventura County Medical Society attended the funeral services in a body, acting as pall-bearers to their deceased colleague.

Dr. Love had been a member of the masonic order, and the members of his lodge exemplified the impressive ritual of the order. A widow and three grown sons are left to mourn the loss of husband and father, to whom the sympathy of the Ventura County Medical Society is hereby extended.

In the death of Dr. Love, the medical profession has lost a valued member, and the public in general a worthy citizen.

CHARLES TEUBNER.

NOT MEMBERS OF THE PROPRIETARY ASSOCIATION.

The Cystogan Chemical Company has requested us to state that it has not held membership in the Proprietary Association of America since the spirit of antagonism arose between this association and the American Medical Association.

A PLEASANT MESSAGE FROM NEVADA.

The secretary has received from the committee of the Nevada State Medical Association the following resolutions, which extend to us that appreciation which it is always a pleasure to record:

"Whereas, a great calamity has fallen upon the city of San Francisco; many of the people having not only been driven from their homes but have lost everything, and are compelled to begin life over again, among the chief sufferers being the members of our beloved profession;

"Resolved, that we extend to them our sympathy and tender to them our encouragement and assistance;

"Resolved, that it is with a feeling of pride and satisfaction that we view the splendid courage, heroism and self-sacrifice displayed by the members

of the profession in ministering to the needs of the injured and sick;

"Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the secretary of the Medical Society of the State of California, to be read at their next convention, and that they also be spread on the minutes of this association.

"M. R. WALKER,
"G. H. THOMA,
"S. K. MORRISON."

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NOTICE!

Relief Committee Changes Address.

The Physicians' Relief Committee, which has had its headquarters at the Lane Hospital through the courtesy of the directors of the hospital, will move to the office of Dr. Fred. W. Lux, the secretary, on September 1st. Dr. Lux's address is 2661 Clay St., where he can be found from 1 to 3 P. M.

Remember our new address, 2210 Jackson Street, San Francisco.